

DIVISION II

ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS
NOT DESIGNATED FOR PUBLICATION
KAREN R. BAKER, Judge

CA06-373

FEBRUARY 21, 2007

JAMES SHREFFLER

APPELLANT

v.

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
SERVICES

APPELLEE

APPEAL FROM THE WASHINGTON
COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
[J03-126-3]

HONORABLE STACEY A. ZIMMERMAN,
JUDGE

AFFIRMED

Appellant James Shreffler is the natural father of P.S. By order filed September 8, 2005, the trial court terminated appellant's parental rights in P.S. on the ground that he had abandoned him.

Appellant's counsel has filed a motion to withdraw asserting that a conscientious review of the record reveals that there is no issue of arguable merit, pursuant to the supreme court's decision in *Linker-Flores v. Arkansas Dep't of Human Servs.*, 359 Ark. 131, 194 S.W.3d 739 (2004), and Ark. Sup. Ct. R. 4-3(j). This motion was accompanied by a brief explaining that no adverse rulings were made as to appellant, and providing a discussion of the sufficiency of the evidence to support the termination decision based on evidence presented, in keeping with the decision in *Lewis v. Arkansas Dep't of Human Servs.*, 364 Ark. 243, ___ S.W.3d ___ (Nov. 17, 2005).

After a careful examination of the record, we find that counsel has complied with the

requirements for a no-merit examination of the record and hold that the appeal is wholly without merit. Accordingly, we grant counsel's motion to withdraw and affirm the termination decision.

Affirmed.

GLADWIN and BIRD, JJ., agree.